



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

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For: CHEMICAL MECHANICAL  
POLISHING APPARATUS AND  
METHOD HAVING A RETAINING  
RING WITH A CONTOURED  
SURFACE

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:


Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), a petition for an extension of time of (1) one month is hereby requested to respond to the Office Action mailed August 12, 2004.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (Order No. A-70092/RMA).

Respectfully submitted,

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